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MEDIA ADVISORY: Brig. Gen. Thomas M. Feltey to serve as 53rd commandant of US Army Armor School

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FORT BENNING, Ga. – The Maneuver Center of Excellence will welcome Brig. Gen. Thomas M. Feltey as the 53rd chief and commandant of the U.S. Army Armor School during an assumption of authority ceremony at 3:30p.m., June. 18 here.

Feltey's education includes the Armor Basic and Advanced Courses, the Scout Platoon Leaders' Course, the Cavalry Leaders' Course, the Naval College of Command and Staff, the Maritime School of Advanced Military Studies, and the Joint Advanced Warfighting School.

He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree from Rutgers University, a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Navy War College, and a Master of Science Degree in Campaign Planning and Strategic Studies from the Joint Forces Staff College of the National Defense University.

His previous assignments include director, G-3/5/7, Futures and Concepts Center, Fort Eustis, Virginia, Chief of Staff, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Carson, Colorado, and deployment in support of Operation Resolute Support as the USFOR-A Chief of Staff in Bagram, Afghanistan.

He also served as commander of the 316th Cavalry Brigade, Fort Benning, Georgia, senior adviser to the Ministry of Peshmerga and Northern Affairs for the Office of Security Cooperation-Iraq at the U.S. Consulate General, Erbil, Iraq, in support of Operation Inherent Resolve and commander, 2nd Battalion, 23rd Infantry, 4th Stryker Brigade Combat Team, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, deploying in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Spin Boldak, Kandahar Province, Afghanistan.

Feltey continued his service to the nation as deputy assistant chief of staff G35 in the NATO Allied Rapid Reaction Corps in Rheindahlen, Germany, and Gloucester, England, deploying in support of Operation Enduring Freedom as the Regional Command East/Capital regional plans team leader, and later Deputy CJ35 of the ISAF Joint Command. At the squadron level, he served as operations and executive officer, 3rd Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Hood, Texas, with duty in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in Mosul, Iraq;

Feltey also served as an instructor at the Maneuver Captains' Career Course, Small Group Instructor and Chief of the Commanding General's Planning Group for the United States Armor Center, Fort Knox, Kentucky, deploying in support of Operation Enduring Freedom as an Afghan Army Reconnaissance Platoon Adviser/Trainer; Cavalry and Headquarters Troop Commander, 1st Squadron, 4th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Infantry Division, in Schweinfurt, Germany. He served as a tank platoon leader and battalion scout platoon leader in the 1st Battalion, 66th Armor Regiment, and later as a scout platoon leader in the Brigade Recon

Troop, 1st Brigade, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Hood, Texas, deploying in support of Operation Sea Signal, Guantanamo, Cuba.

His awards and decorations include the Valorous Unit Award, Legion of Merit (4th Award), Bronze Star Medal (2nd Award), Defense Meritorious Service Medal (2nd Award), Meritorious Service Medal (5th Award), the Combat Action Badge, Parachutist Badge, and Canadian Parachutist Badge.

Feltey is a recipient of the Order of Saint George (Silver) and the Order of Saint Maurice (Legionnaire). Additionally, he is a distinguished member of the 23rd Infantry Regiment.

Media who wish to cover this event should call the MCoE Fort Benning Public Affairs office to coordinate a media escort by 9 a.m. Friday, June 18.

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